

**Patent Claims**

1. Cooking device in which at least one parameter is preset for at least one predetermined program, such as in the form of a cooking program and/or cleaning program, and/or for at least one predetermined mode of operation, such as in the form of a cooking mode of operation or cleaning mode of operation, the preset parameter of which can be modified through at least one modification function element (4, 7b, 8b) of a control element (1) of the cooking device and the modification can be confirmed, accepted and/or stored by the cooking device during a predetermined time period through at least one confirmation and/or storage function element (5, 7a, 8a) of the control element (1) of the cooking device, and is automatically confirmed, accepted and/or stored by the cooking device after the time period elapsed.

2. Cooking device according to Claim 1, characterized by the fact that the predetermined time period can be adjusted preferably through the control element (1) and is especially 1 to about 30 seconds after the last activation of the control element (1).

3. Cooking device according to Claim 1 or 2, characterized by the fact that the parameter is preset specifically for a country, given by the particular location and/or specifically for a selectable operating language of the cooking device, whereby preferably all parameters of at least one program and/ or at least one mode of operation for the particular location and/or the selectable operating language are preset.

4. Cooking device according to one of the previous claims, characterized by the fact that at least one modification can be performed within predetermined unchangeable limits, whereby the limits are preferably preset specifically for the country, given by the particular location and/or the selectable operating language.

5. Cooking device according to Claim 3 or 4, characterized by the fact that the presetting can be performed automatically as a function of a detected locating, especially through a locating system, and/or a selected operating language.

6. Cooking device according to one of the previous claims, characterized by the fact that the modification function element comprises at least one dial (4), at least one

display and/or at least one touch screen, whereby the touch screen preferably comprises at least one touch element, especially with at least one bar graph (7b, 8b).

7. Cooking device according to Claim 6, characterized by the fact that the parameter can be modified by at least intermittent stroking of the touch element, preferably along the bar graphs (7b, 8b), especially with a finger.

8. Cooking device according to one of the previous claims, characterized by the fact that the confirmation and/or storage function element has at least one push button (5), at least one display and/or at least one touch screen, whereby the touch screen preferably has at least one touch element (7a, 8a).

9. Cooking device according to Claim 8, characterized by the fact that the push button (5) is arranged in the region of the dial (4), whereby preferably the push button (5) is arranged centrally within the dial (4) or is formed in one piece with the dial (4).

10. Cooking device according to one of the previous claims, characterized by the fact that the modification function element, especially the dial and/or the confirmation and/or storage element, especially the push button, can be recessed in the cooking device, especially in the control element, at least at times at least partly using a recessing device.

11. Cooking device according to Claim 10, characterized by the fact that the recessing device can be set manually and/or automatically as a function of at least one program and/or of at least one mode of operation.

12. Cooking device according to one of the previous claims, characterized by the fact that the confirmation and/or storage functional element (5, 7a, 8a) comprises at least one signal emitter which, upon confirmation and/or storage of at least one parameter emits at least one signal tone and/or at least in regions produces a color change on the control element (1), especially the display, preferably of the touch element (7a, 8a).

13. Cooking device according to one of the previous claims, characterized by a notepad function (10) for storage of at least one modified parameter of at least one modified

program and/or of at least one modified mode of operation, preferably under an enterable especially freely selectable name, symbol, sign and/or pictogram.

14. Cooking device according Claim 13, characterized by the fact that the notepad function (10) is provided via at least one touch element, especially comprising at least one pictogram on the touch screen of the control element of the cooking device.

15. Cooking device according to Claim 13 or 14, characterized by the fact that using the notepad function (10) one can modify from a first parameter to be modified, from a first program to be modified and/or from a first mode of operation to modified to a second parameter to be modified, to a second program to be modified or to a second mode of operation to be modified or the change of the parameters, programs and/or modes of operation can be finalized.

16. Cooking device according to one of the previous claims, characterized by a control and/or regulating unit in working connection with the modification function element, the confirmation and/or storage function element, the locating system and/or the recessing device.